NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF AMHERST, VIRGINIA

Notice is hereby given that the Town Council (the "Council") of the Town of Amherst, Virginia (the "Town") will hold a public hearing to receive public comments and to consider the adoption of a proposed Resolution authorizing, among other things, the Town's issuance of a not to exceed \$3,500,000 general obligation water revenue bond (the "Bond") to be sold, in one or more series, to Virginia Resources Authority ("VRA"), as Administrator of the Virginia Water Supply Revolving Fund (the "Fund") in order to provide funds for the Town to (i) acquire, replace, construct, upgrade, and equip the Town's water system and related facilities (collectively, the "Water System"), including but not limited to installation of approximately 11,520 linear feet of 12 inch water transmission distribution pipe to replace existing 6 inch pipe and existing 10 inch pipe, and (ii) to pay preliminary costs and cost of issuance expenses, in order for the Town to increase the effectiveness, safety, and efficiency of its Water System (the "Project").

In a letter to the Town from VRA, dated October 15, 2015, (the "Commitment Letter"), including other correspondences from Virginia Department of Health ("VDH") and VRA, respectively, the Town has been advised that the Water System Project is eligible for financial assistance consisting of an up to \$2,959,008 loan represented by the Bond. The cost of funds on the loan shall be 2.25% per annum, comprised of interest to the Fund of 0.75% and a fee of 1.50% for administrative and management services attributable to the loan, for a term up to thirty years.

The payment of the principal of and cost of funds on the Bond shall be a general obligation of the Town, secured by a pledge of the Town's full faith and credit, and also secured by a pledge of the revenues of the water system. Further, on the closing date of the Bond, the Town shall fund a debt service reserve fund in order for the Town to provide further security for the benefit of VRA for the payment of the Bond and the performance by the Town of its obligations contemplated thereunder, with such reserve amount being finalized based on the actual maximum annual debt service on the Bond as determined by VRA.

The public hearing, which may be continued or adjourned, will be held before the Town Council at or around 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 10, 2015, in the Town Council Chambers in the Town Hall located at 174 S. Main Street, Amherst, Virginia 24521. Any person interested in the Project or the Town's issuance of the Bond and the purposes for which it is being issued may appear at the hearing and present his or her views. Additional information regarding the Project and the financing of the costs therefor may be inspected by the public at the Town Hall located at the address given above. Written comments may be forwarded to the Council prior to the public hearing in care of the Town Manager at the address given above.

TOWN OF AMHERST, VIRGINIA

Jack Hobbs, Town Manager

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